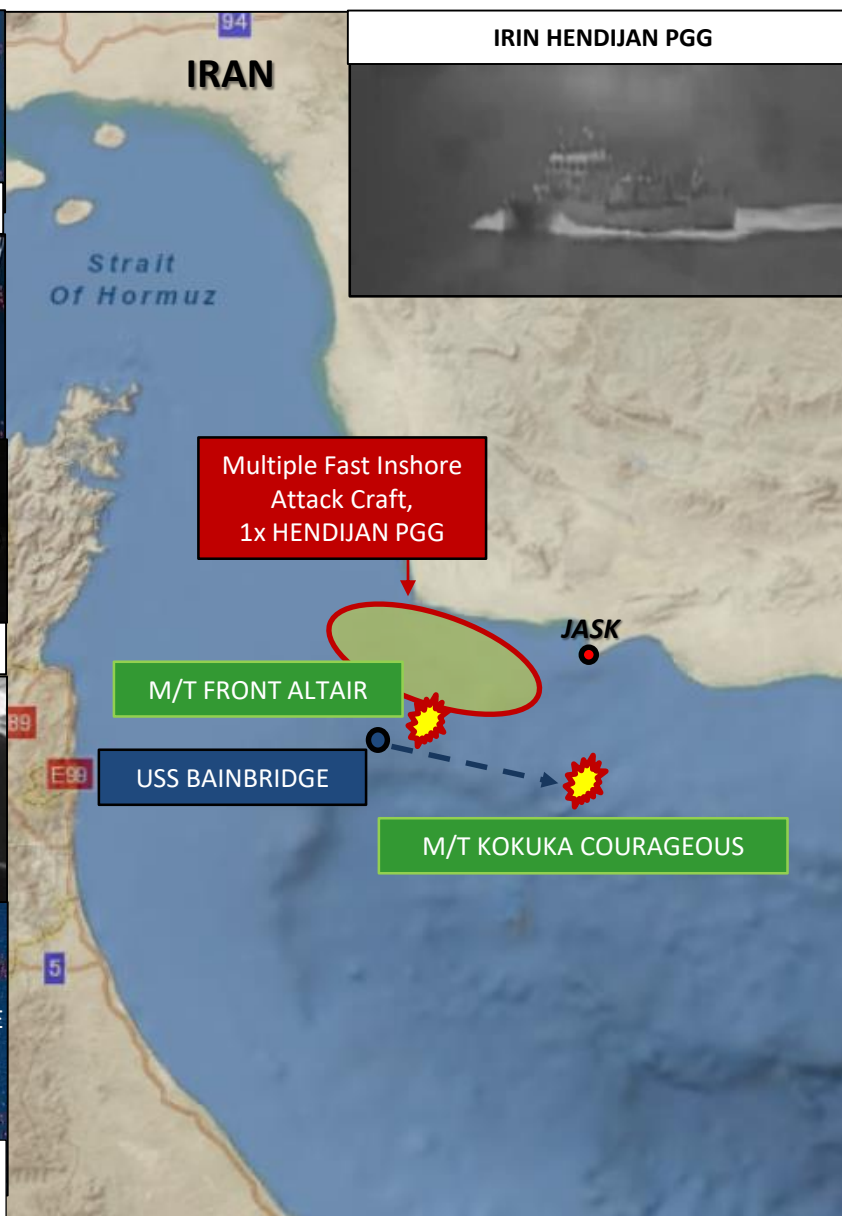


M/T FRONT ALTAIR, M/T KOKUKA COURAGEOUS ATTACK AND CREW RECOVERY



IRIN HENDIJAN PGG



Timeline: 13 June 2019

0312Z: USS MASON receives bridge-to-bridge call from M/T FRONT ALTAIR reporting they were attacked in the Gulf of Oman (GOO).

0320Z: Large fire observed onboard M/T FRONT ALTAIR.

0320Z: USS BAINBRIDGE, 40 NM from M/V FRONT ALTAIR, closes to render aid.

0400Z: M/T KOKUKA COURAGEOUS reports being hit by an external projectile, taking on water, and a fire in engine room.

0400Z: M/T FRONT ALTAIR and M/T KOKUKA COURAGEOUS are approx 10 NM apart.

0509Z: Iranian HENDIJAN PGG and multiple fast inshore attack craft observed within the area.

0515Z: M/T FRONT ALTAIR confirms major fire amidships.

0535Z: HENDIJAN PGG, 8 NM southeast of BAINBRIDGE, closes to intercept BAINBRIDGE.

0612Z: Iranian fast inshore attack craft crew pull M/T FRONT ALTAIR unoccupied life raft from water.

0626Z: Unidentified Iranian patrol boat requests M/V HYUNDAI DUBAI turn over crew rescued from M/T FRONT ALTAIR. M/V HYUNDAI DUBAI complies.

0629Z: HENDIJAN PGG transits east, closing M/T KOKUKA COURAGEOUS.

0805Z: BAINBRIDGE approaches Dutch tug COASTAL ACE, which had rescued the crew of M/T KOKUKA COURAGEOUS.

0805Z: HENDIJAN PGG attempts to reach COASTAL ACE before BAINBRIDGE.

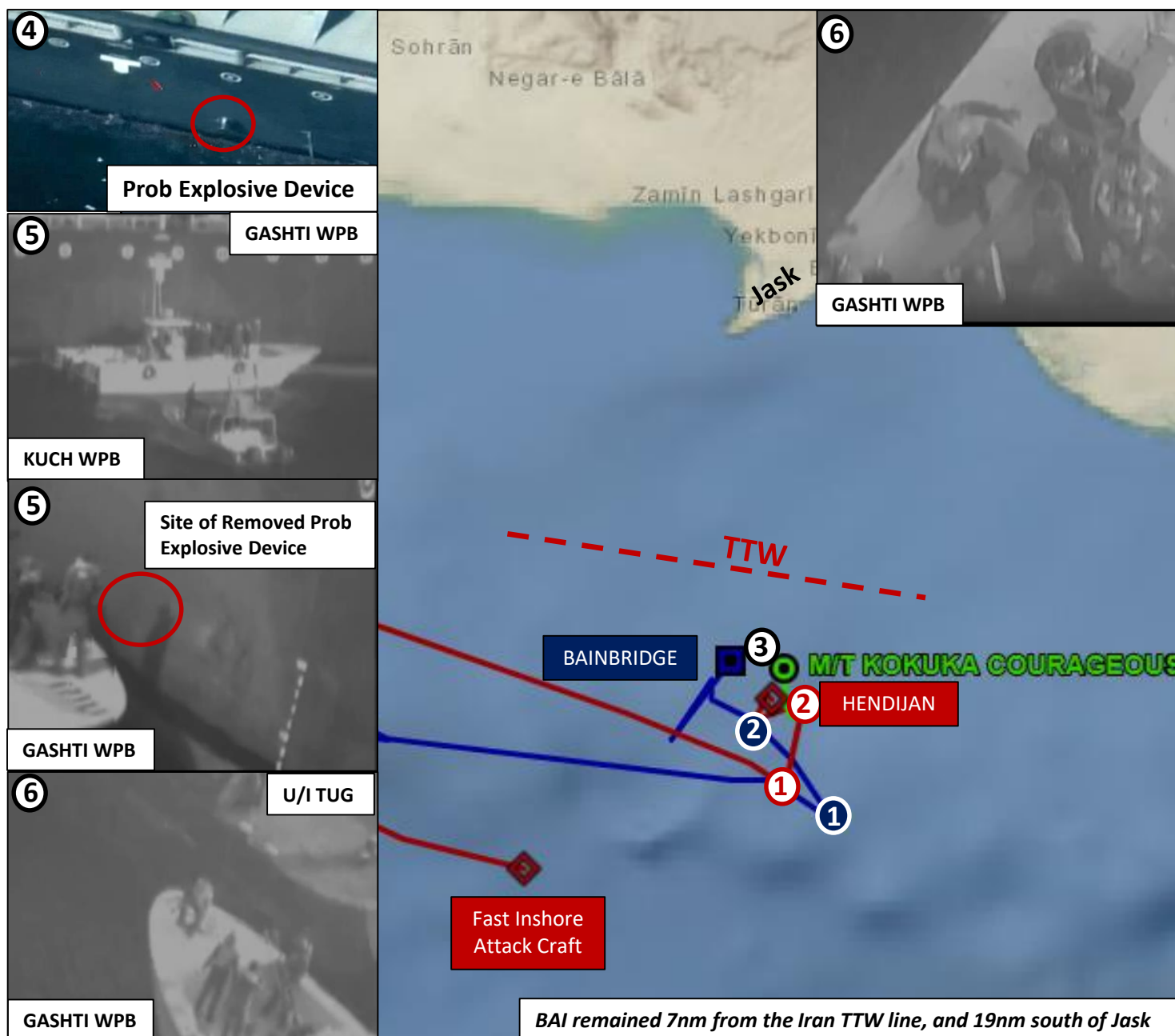
0810Z: BAINBRIDGE reaches COASTAL ACE and the M/T KOKUKA COURAGEOUS master requests BAINBRIDGE take his crew onboard.

0832Z: Crew safely aboard BAINBRIDGE.

Attack on M/T FRONT ALTAIR in international waters 19NM south of Iran.

Attack on M/T KOKUKA COURAGEOUS in international waters 21NM south of Iran.

M/T KOKUKA COURAGEOUS: USS BAINBRIDGE APPROACH / IRGCN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE REMOVAL



Timeline: 13 June 2019

- 1 0830Z:** BAINBRIDGE begins approach of M/T KOKUKA COURAGEOUS-approx 5.2NM North of BAINBRIDGE.
- 1 0830Z:** As BAINBRIDGE turns north, HENDIJAN PGG attempted to block BAINBRIDGE from gaining an inside track to M/T KOKUKA COURAGEOUS.
- 2 0915Z:** BAINBRIDGE closes to within 1.8NM.
- 2** HENDIJAN and Iranian fast inshore attack craft arrive on scene.
- 3 0920Z – 1415Z:** BAINBRIDGE maintains constant observation of the Iranian vessels near M/T KOKUKA COURAGEOUS.
- 4** M/T KOKUKA COURAGEOUS has a large hole above the waterline on the starboard side (see image on previous slide) and a probable explosive device attached above the waterline amidships.
- 5 1310Z:** Crew onboard a GASHTI WPB were observed removing the device attached amidships.
- 6** The GASHTI that removed the device conducted an at sea rendezvous with a U/I tug. No transfer of material was observed.

BAI remained 7nm from the Iran TTW line, and 19nm south of Jask